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Nurses Movement for Responsible Medicine (NMRM) was founded in October 2007 by Cynthia O'Neill, S.R.N., S.C.M., Q.N., H.V. to provide nurses with a channel through which they could express their concerns in relation to the high number of adverse drug reactions suffered by so many of their patients.

**The Objective of NMRM
is the Immediate and
Unconditional Abolition
Of All Animal Experiments
On Medical
and
Scientific Grounds**

*"Medicine can only move forward by bringing to an immediate end
medical research based on animal experimentation.*

*There is a growing movement, world-wide, of thousands of
doctors, scientists, lawyers, nurses, disabled and many others, working to end
the unscientific method of medical research based on animal experiments...
gradually restoring to medicine that scientific quality that is today
usurped by vivisectionist error."*

Professor Pietro Croce MD

Doctors and Lawyers for Responsible Medicine

Animal Experimentation Leads to Human Experimentation

Animal experimentation inevitably leads to human experimentation. True. Absolutely True. Animal experimentation is human experimentation because the first inevitably leads to the second; therefore, the first and the second are one and the same: The law of inevitability.

One can design any kind of model, experiment on all sorts of animals, repeat the experiment 1,001 times, more or less, but as one moves to the human condition, still it is all experimental, plain and simple for the following reasons:

First reason: Animals are different, in many ways: their anatomy differs, their physiology is not similar to ours, their behaviour is not the same. And as you go down to the nitty gritty, to the cellular and sub-cellular levels and down, down, down – I should say up, up, up – to the genes, to the RNA and DNA structure, there are manifest variations. Therefore, applying what you find or learn from animal experiments to humans is incorrect.

A well-known fact is: any slight alternation in an experimental model, subject or methodology alters the result significantly.

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'Animal Experimentation – A Harvest of Shame'

NB: We regret that we do not have room to include the rest of this passage from Dr Fadali's book.

Charities

Charities come under the voluntary sector, which both directly and indirectly is wholly supported by “public money” via the taxpayer, memberships, donations and covenants yet the public are continuously being misled as to what exactly some of these charities fund. It is for this reason that growing numbers of people believe that the ‘Freedom of Information Act’ should include the voluntary sector. The following example clearly demonstrates why more openness and transparency is essential:

Vivisection is a contentious issue, which is why many of the charities funding it avoid all mention of research when it comes to their collecting boxes. Businesses supporting such charities, especially those that display charity boxes on their premises, should be required, by law, to ‘come clean’ on this issue and not mislead their customers. For example, who would suspect charities such as ‘Age UK’ (formerly ‘Age Concern’ and ‘Help the Aged’) and ‘Marie Curie Cancer Care’ of funding experiments on animals? But they do. So if you are opposed to vivisection and you happen to see a charity box on the counter of a store that you frequent, you would be well advised to ask the shopkeeper exactly what the charity funds and whether or not it has links to vivisection either directly, or indirectly as a member of the Association of Medical Research Charities (AMRC).

The major vivisection research charities are extremely rich; for example, before they started trading as ‘Cancer Research UK (CRUK)’, The Imperial Cancer Research Fund and the Cancer Research Campaign had around 170 years of fundraising between them. These charities are increasingly adept at marketing guilt and fear; mass fear has guaranteed them a massive and ceaseless flow of research funds.

Vivisection is nothing less than scientific fraud. Anyone who wishes to avoid funding it but wants to give to a good cause, would be wise to write to their chosen charity requesting to know if it funds research, either directly or indirectly; it is better to obtain an answer *in writing* for obvious reasons. People with access to the Internet will be able to learn more about the various charities, because some do admit on websites to funding research; although in some cases you will need to search hard in order to find this word.

As for those charities and organisations claiming to fund ‘alternatives’, these may not be all they seem (see NMRM newsletter issue number 3 for information on this).

The following is an extract from the introduction speech by Director Joy Palmer to DLRM’s (Doctors and Lawyers for Responsible Medicine) Fourth International Scientific Congress:

“It is important to understand that it is not only qualified doctors and lawyers who are, in ever-greater numbers, taking on board the responsibility of abolishing vivisection, on scientific grounds: this responsibility is also being increasingly accepted by society at large. We must always remember the fact that sections of the public are capable of recognising and understanding the flaws and dangers of such research. They therefore have as much right, and indeed duty, to be involved in this campaign as have the professionals. We all have a share in the responsibility – though our detractors would have us believe that the lay-person hasn’t the wit or the knowledge to understand what is going on!”

We appeal to nurses and other members of the public who share the views of NMRM to consider any of the following:

Purchasing books from the ‘Recommended Books’ section of our website, or requesting these books through local libraries.

Using information from the books and/or from our website to gain and to circulate information that can be used to facilitate the writing of polite letters; one of our Founder Cynthia O’Neill’s favourite quotes is: “THE PEN IS MIGHTIER THAN THE SWORD.”

Circulating our leaflet: Vegan and Veggie events are usually helpful in this respect.